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SUBJECT: FOREIGN BUYERS PROGRAM REQUEST FOR PARTIAL PER DIEM
FOR ESCORT OFFICER

REF: A) NAHA 206, B) USDOC 08706, C) NAHA 186

1. SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED : WE HAVE JUST SUCCEEDED IN ORGANIZING 17 MEMBER OKINAWAN BUYERS GROUP TO ATTEND TWO HOUSEWARE TRADE SHOWS IN CHICAGO AND FURNITURE SHOW IN SAN FRANCISCO GROUP DEPARTING JULY 8 AND RETURNING JULY 24 URGENTLY REQUEST PARTIAL PER DIEM AND EXPENSES TOTALING \$300 FOR ESCORT OFFICER FSL TAKARA. APPRECIATE ANY HELP YOU CAN GIVE TO MAKE TRIP WORTHWHILE FOR OKINAWANS . END SUMMARY
2. MUCH APPRECIATE WASHINGTON SUPPORT FOR OUR FOREIGN BUYERS

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PROGRAM WHICH HAS HAD CONSISTENTLY EXCELLENT RESULTS IN PAST AND IS OUR MOST EFFECTIVE TRADE PROMOTION EFFORT. PER REF A WE WERE UNABLE USE \$302 AUTHORIZED REF B TO DEFRAY EXPENSES OF ESCORT OFFICER FSL SHINTARO TAKARA TO ACCOMPANY GROUP IN LATE MAY DUE TO INSUFFICIENT NUMBER PARTICIPANTS TO PERMIT FREE AIR TRANSPORTATION AND HOTEL FOR TAKARA.

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3. WE HAVE JUST SUCCEEDED IN FORMING ANOTHER BUYERS GROUP OF 17 MEMBERS WHICH WILL PERMIT TAKARA TO GO GRATIS . GROUP LEAVES NAHA JULY 8 TO ATTEND TRANSWORLD HOUSEWARE SHOW CHICAGO AND US NATIONAL HOUSEWARE SHOW CHICAGO (JULY 9-13) AND SAN FRANCISCO FURNITURE SHOW (JULY 17-19). GROUP WILL ALSO MAKE BUSINESS TRIPS NEW YORK, WASHINGTON, LOS ANGELES, AND HONOLULU BEFORE RETURNING NAHA JULY 24

4. URGENTLY REQUEST PARTIAL PER DIEM (\$16) AND EXPENSES (\$44) TO
DEFRAY TAKARA'S OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES TOTALING \$300
5. ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS:
JULY 8. DEPART NAHA VIA NW-6. ARRIVE CHICAGO AT 1812 HOURS
STAY AT BISMARCK HOTEL(TEL 312-236-0123).

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JULY 9-10 ATTEND TRANSWORLD HOUSEWARE SHOW.
JULY 11-13 ATTEND NATIONAL HOUSEWARE SHOW.
JULY 13 DEPART 1420 HOURS VIA VA-120. ARRIVE NEW YORK 1730
HOURS. STAY AT TUDOR HOTEL (214-986-8800). INDIVIDUAL
APPOINTMENTS WITH US HOUSEWARE AND HARDWARE BUSINESSMEN.
JULY 16. TRAVEL TO WASHDC. BURLINGTON HOTEL (202-785-2222).
JULY 17 DEPART FOR SAN FRANCISCO VIA AA-603 ARRIVE 1500
SUTTER HOTEL (415-781-3060). ATTEND SAN FRANCISCO
FURNITURE SHOW.
JULY 19 DEPART FOR LOS ANGELES VIA VA-525. ARRIVE 1810 HOURS.
MAYFLOWER HOTEL (213-624-1331). INDIVIDUAL BUSINESS
APPOINTMENTS.
JULY 21. DEPART VIA NW-21 ARRIVE HONOLULU 1600 HOURS HOTEL
BEING ARRANGED INDIVIDUAL BUSINESS APPOINTMENTS
JULY 23-24 TRAVEL VIA NW-21 TO TOKYO, THENCE NAHA VIA NW-3
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ARRIVE 2000 HOURS
6. PARTICIPANTS AS FOLLOWS(PRESIDENTS OF FIRMS UNLESS
OTHERWISE INDICATED:) TEISHO CHINA, CHINA TRADING CO; ANYU UEZU
ANCHOR SHOJI CO ; HISAMICHI UEZU, OKINAWA CHUBO SETSUBI CO;
KIYOMASA OSHIRO, MARUKIYO HOUSEWARE-FOOD DISTRIBUTOR CO; MISAO

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NAKAYAMA , BUSINESS DIRECTOR OF OKINAWA CHUBO SETSUBI CO ; SEIEI
KINA, KANEMASA SHOKAI CO ; TETSUO GUSHIKEN, BUSINESS DIRECTOR OF
SANWA KINZOKU CO; TAKEO CHINEN , TOMISHIRO KENSAI CO ; HANYU
SHIMA, SHIMA SANGYO LTD; MICHAEL ROSS, AMERICAN PRODUCTS IMPORT
AND SALES CO; YUKINAGA KOKUBA, BUSINESS DIRECTOR OF KOKUBA
SHOJI CO; HARUO OSHIRO, TOMISHIRO HOUSING CORP; HIYOSHI KADENA,
SHIMIZU HOUSING SERVICE CO ; MATSUEI HIGA OKINAWA TILE CO; AND
KIYOSHI YAMAKAWA , YAMAKAWA BUILDING SERVICE CO.
7. FIRMS ARE LEADING OKINAWAN IMPORTER - DISTRIBUTORS OF
HOUSEWARE , HARDWARE, BUILDING SUPPLIES, TOOLS AND GARDEN SUPPLIES
FOR OKINAWA AND KYUSHU MARKETS . MANY ARE ESPECIALLY INTERESTED
IN OBTAINING DISTRIBUTORSHIPS FOR CARPETS , FLOOR TILE,

INTERIOR PANELING , ALUMINUM SASH , AND RELECTIVE SHEET GLASS.
FIVE FIRMS ALSO URGENTLY DESIRE IMPORT LARGE QUANTITIES SURPLUS
US MILITARY CLOTHING AND NEW OLIVE DRAB UNDERWEAR
8. GROUP WOULD APPRECIATE ANY HELP USDOC CAN GIVE WITH RESPECT
A. ARRANGING DINNER ON NO-HOST BASIS WITH INTERESTED US
EXPORTERS AT CHICAGO TRADE SHOWS , OR INCLUSION OF OKINAWA GROUP
IN ANY EVENING FUNCTIONS IN CHICAGO BEING HOSTED BY US EXPORTERS
B. ARRANGING APPOINTMENTS WITH US EXPORTERS OF SURPLUS US

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9. REGRET SHORT - FUSE. APPRECIATE ALL THE HELP YOU CAN GIVE
TO MAKE TRIP WORTHWHILE FOR OKINAWANS . POINT OF CONTACT FOR
GROUP WILL BE TAKARA AT HOTELS LISTED TAKARA WILL ALSO
TELEPHONE USDOC FIELD OFFICES NEW YORK , LOS ANGELES, AND
HONOLULU

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